

## CHICAGO BUSINESS

## LEAGUE ACTIVE

Chicago, Oct. 23.—The Chicago Business League has inaugurated a membership campaign for the purpose of engaging the interest of owners of every business enterprise in the city. The organization has strated out on the most progressive lines of any organization ever established. A ten thousand dollar publicity campaign will be carried on to create larger interest in Race enterprises, make openings for young people and demonstrating the economic advantage of co-operation. Already it has proposed to take a delegation of at least One Hundred to the National Business League in Philadelphia, 1920, at which time an invitation for the 1920 session in Chicago will be extended.

## AFRO-AMERICAN ASKS QUESTIONS OF MARYLAND CANDIDATES.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 23.—The Afro-American, one of the most aggressive newspapers of the country is sending out questionnaires to all candidates on various questions. A sample of the questionnaire follows:

1. If elected to the office to which you aspire, would you use your best efforts?
2. To secure equal appropriations for teachers' salaries and school accommodations thru out the State of Maryland? Answer yes or no.
3. To see that all citizens of the State have equally long school terms? Answer yes or no.
4. To see that the compulsory school attendance law be rigidly enforced throughout the State? Answer yes or no.
5. To see that the Legislature take the necessary steps to nullify the Jim Crow Law throughout the State? Answer yes or no.
6. To see that the Legislature appropriate a sum not less than \$35,000 a year for Victory Hospital, a non sectarian institution located for Colored people? Answer yes or no.
7. To see that wherever a case in any court in the State involves either a Colored plaintiff or defendant one or other members of the jury will also be Colored? Answer yes or no.
8. To clean up the gambling and disorderly houses, which are being run by persons, for white and Colored patrons? Answer yes or no.

## LABOR CONGRESS MEETS.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 23.—In the Labor Congress in progress in this city, many complaints are coming from various groups. While the railroad unions appear to be the only group invited which may refuse to participate, the conference will assemble with the farmers and the Negroes dissatisfied with their representation.

Farmers' organizations have protested that they should have more than three delegates and some Negroes have requested that a member of their race be appointed to represent their interests.

The Negroes were not given a delegate, it was officially because no attempt was made to draw a color line in considering labor problem, and all recommendations will apply indiscriminately to white and black workers.

## TALLAHASSEE FURNISHES WORK FOR NEGROES.

Badin, N. C.—The Tallahassee Power Co. of this place, employs a large number of Negro workers. They have recently followed the example of several other corporations in the South in employing a full-time Colored welfare worker for their Negro employees. This experiment has been found to be a sound business investment in other states; and it is believed that such work is as desirable and profitable, from both a business and a human point of view, among Negro as among white employees.

## ALABAMA BAPTISTS TO RAISE \$100,000.

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 23.—Plans for the launching of a \$100,000 drive of the Colored Baptists of Alabama to raise funds for the Dinkins Memorial Chapel which was destroyed by fire some time ago and for some improvements to Selma University, have been made. The campaign is under the direction of W. A. Tutt and will occur during the week of October 16th.

## PETERSBURG HOLDS MASS MEETING.

Petersburg, Va., Oct. 23.—A mass meeting held at the Metropolitan Baptist church, white, was attended by a large crowd of Colored people, many being unable to get into the church. The meeting was presided over by the Rev. Eli Tartt, and its object was to bring about a closer feeling between the whites and Colored people of the community. Several short addresses were made by Colored speakers, which was followed with an address by Mayor Gilliam. The utmost good feeling was shown throughout the meetings. There has never been any race troubles in this city.

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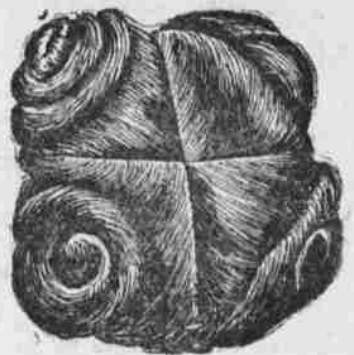
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